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Score: 81

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Name: T.C. Burgdorf

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Body: Light, Medium, Full, Smooth, Rich, Creamy, Textured, Big, Crisp, Mouth-coating, Silky, Velvet

Finish: Short, Medium, Long, Abrupt, Bitter, Intense Tingling, Robust, Oaky, Crisp, Delicate

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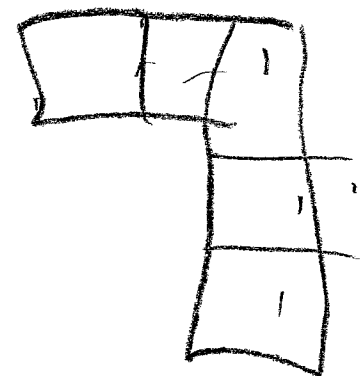
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January 19, 2019 Tasting Notes

**The Deveron (McDuff Distillery) 12 YO, 40% ABV. \$44.99 + tax.
Matured in Oak Bourbon Casks. Highland (east of Speyside?).**

Tasting Note by The Chaps at Master of Malt

Nose: Sweet baking spice, toffee apples and ginger.

Palate: A core of butterscotch with waxy malt and apple pie.

Finish: Wood spice, vanilla and soft oakiness.

Overall: A new-look core expression for a single malt that's rightly getting more attention.

Color: Pale Yellow Yellow Gold Greeny Gold Bronze Amber Mahogany

Nose: Floral Citrus Grass Honey Coconut Malty Oak Nutty Molasses Sherry Sweet Smoky Pungent Sea Air Peat Buttery

Palate: Woody Zesty Vanilla Oily Peppery Raisins Intense Grassy Caramel Berries Balance Chocolate Floral Citrus Honey
Coconut Nutty Sherry Sweet Smoky Malty Peaty Alive Balanced Abrasive Assertive Delicate Bland Rich Earthy

Body: Light Medium Full Smooth Rich Creamy Textured Big Crisp Mouth-coating Silky Velvet

Finish: Short Medium Long Abrupt Bitter Intense Tingling Robust Oaky Crisp Delicate

Length of finish (minutes): 1 1.5 2 2.5 3 3.5 4 4.5 5

Score: 81

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Name: Max

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Craigellachie 13 YO. 46% ABV. \$52.99 + tax. Highland

Nose: Big tropical-fruit aromas at first – mango and pineapple – followed by sweet and savoury notes of ham glazed with Demerara sugar and a whiff of barbecue smoke.

Palate: More sweet fruit, tempered by savoury smokiness. Punchy and full-flavoured, with the meaty smoke balancing well with the refreshing tropical fruit. Mouth-filling texture; makes a statement!

Finish: The smoked-meat notes gently fade, along with a hint of spent match.

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Name: Alex

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